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FM AMEMBASSY THE HAGUE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 5829

C O N F I D E N T I A L THE HAGUE 2271

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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY ENDERS

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EAIR, NL

SUBJ: CIVAIR-KLM ISSUE

REFS: A. STATE 103810, B. STATE 103811

1. IN ACCORDANCE REFTELS, AMBASSADOR AND EMBOFFS MAY 3 PRESENTED ASSISTANT SECRETARY ENDER'S MESSAGE, DRAFT U.S. STATEMENT, AND LIST OF PROPOSED POINTS FOR A DUTCH STATEMENT TO MINISTER OF TRANSPORT WESTERTERP, WHO WAS ACCOMPANIED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF HIS OWN MINISTRY, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, AND KLM.

2. WESTERTERP INDICATED WILLINGNESS TO ACCEPT U.S. DRAFT STATEMENT. HE UNDERTOOK TO DELIVER TO EMBASSY BY NOON MAY 4 DRAFT OF DUTCH STATEMENT, WHICH WE WILL TRANSMIT AS IMMEDIATE MESSAGE. HE SAID THAT HE HAD A PROBLEM WITH TIME LIMITATION "THIS SUMMER" AT END OF PARA 2C OF REFTEL B, WHICH HE SAID WOULD IMPLY TO DUTCH PUBLIC THAT U.S. WAS FREE TO ACT AT END OF SUMMER. THUS, WE CAN ANTICIPATE THAT DUTCH DRAFT WILL BE MODIFIED IN SOME FASHION TO OBVIATE THIS DOMESTIC PROBLEM FOR WESTERTERP.

3. WESTERTERP SAID HE BELIEVES IT ESSENTIAL THAT STATEMENTS BE RELEASED BY NO LATER THAN 1600 HOURS DUTCH
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TIME TUESDAY MAY 6 WHEN BUDGET MEET OF SECOND CHAMBER

WILL GIVE RISE TO QUESTIONS ABOUT HIS APRIL 30 MEETING
WITH ENDERS WHICH HAS CONTINUED TO RECEIVE PUBLICITY
OF LARGELY ACCURATE NATURE. HE SAID HE HAD ALREADY
RECEIVED LETTER FROM PRESIDENT OF SECOND CHAMBER
ASKING FOR DETAILS OF HIS MEETING WITH ENDERS. HE ADDED THAT IT
WOULD BE ESPECIALLY HELPFUL IF HE COULD HAVE U.S.G.
RESPONSE TO DRAFT DUTCH STATEMENT PRIOR TO SPECIAL GON
CABINET MEETING SCHEDULED MORNING MAY 6 (TO TAKE UP
F-16 PURCHASE).
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